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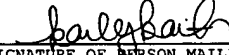
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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE ADSORPTION OF
A LIQUID SAMPLE THROUGH AN ABSORBENT LAYER**

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Items required upon filing:

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☒ Copy of the PCT application

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